

To: Yamada, Richard (Yujiro)[yamada.richard@epa.gov]
From: Blackburn, Elizabeth
Sent: Fri 6/23/2017 4:11:44 PM
Subject: Re: 2 quick things

Sounds good. I've asked Nathan to reserve the AA conf room for you on Wednesday at 5 and set up video conf line. Do you want Nathan to invite the folks from Denka etc? We would need their contact info. They will need to call the main number when they arrive - 202-564-6620 and Nathan can go down and get them.

I'll reach out to folks about being available during Tuesday's hearing.

Have a lovely weekend.

Liz

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 23, 2017, at 11:42 AM, Yamada, Richard (Yujiro) <yamada.richard@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Liz,

Too bad I can't punish you! Seriously, thanks for getting back – your suggestion is excellent – didn't think about Comms and the OPARM folks – that would be great!!!! Esp with budget questions, i.e. how much money was spent on X in FY XX. And Sam would be great addition too.

I know that ORD related things are of immense interest so want to make 3rd floor aware we are on top of it.

Let me make the final call with Region 6 – I would like to invite them at this point, but let me get back to you. Thanks much,

Richard

From: Blackburn, Elizabeth
Sent: Friday, June 23, 2017 11:35 AM
To: Yamada, Richard (Yujiro) <yamada.richard@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: 2 quick things

Hello Richard

Haha - sorry in advance for upsetting you. With so much going on it feels like I might cause more problems if I wait to check email. I promise that when I go on a real vacation that I'll look at email less. :)

Now on to your questions -

I think it's fine to have some dedicated folks to answer questions. Maureen is excellent and Fred would be good too. I'd also have Carolyn and/or Megan as they have a treasure trove of responses ready. Since the hearing is budget related I might also have someone from OPARM available - maybe Steve Silzer or Eric Burman. Finally, I'd suggest Samantha Linkins be available as she has access to previous QFRs and it's good to know what we previously answered.

I can't recall if we still have a briefing scheduled for you for Tuesday morning but if we do we will reschedule.

On the visitors from Denka we can get people up to the 4th floor after 5. And we will work to make sure that we can get video connections set up as well. Since it's after 5 and fewer people will be around to help us let's make sure we know for sure if Region 6 will be joining us. Who will make that determination?

Happy Friday to you as well!

Liz

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 23, 2017, at 10:54 AM, Yamada, Richard (Yujiro) <yamada.richard@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Liz,

Happy Friday! (if you respond to this email before 5 pm, I will be upset since it's your official day off!!!)

Here's my thinking about next Tuesday morning during the Budget hearing – I think I will need to watch it live. Moving forward I will have to watch every hearing involving Pruitt or anyone from EPA - it might also be good for us to have a small rapid response team ready to answer questions from Liz/Troy while watching the hearing live – during the last hearing, I had folks emailing me asking for info – hate to waste resources and ppl's time, but we can try it for this hearing . What do you think? Ppl I think who would be good to attend would be Fred H and Maureen – questions will be about BOSC, scientific integrity, to name a few. The hearing will be approx. 2 hours.

Also, for the Denka meeting I realized that it's here in Reagan – can visitors get into 4th floor after 5 PM? More of a logistical question – we are planning to have John V join from NC via video and possibly Region 6.

Thanks again,

Richard

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